

**DATE:** October 26, 2009

**TO:** All Local Health Departments  
Environmental Health Specialists

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**SUBJECT: Environmental Health Specialist Orientation**

The Indiana State Department of Health, (ISDH) is pleased to announce a basic training opportunity for new Environmental Health Specialists (EHS) at the local level, and other EHS who wish to attend. The purpose of the orientation training is to provide the new EHS information about ISDH, Indiana Department of Homeland Security, Indiana Department of Environmental Management, and other regulatory programs. The training will be conducted for two and one half days (please see agenda) to cover these topics.

The EHS Orientation begins Tuesday, December 1, with registration at 9:00 am in the ISDH, Rice Auditorium. The third day adjourns at 12:00 pm. Upon completion of the orientation training, certificates will be issued to participants who have attended the entire program. Topics to be covered include:

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| ▪ Animal bites/rabies                   | ▪ Standardization and food specialist training   |
| ▪ Residential/commercial septic systems | ▪ Field Epidemiology                             |
| ▪ Vector control                        | ▪ Laboratory support                             |
| ▪ Swimming pools                        | ▪ Hospital and nursing home regulations          |
| ▪ Mobile home parks                     | ▪ Lead & Healthy Homes Program                   |
| ▪ Indoor air, radon, & mold             | ▪ Fluoridation                                   |
| ▪ Weights and measures                  | ▪ Indiana Department of Environmental Management |
| ▪ Communicable disease                  | ▪ Indiana Department of Homeland Security        |
| ▪ Retail and wholesale foods            | ▪ Communication using SharePoint                 |
| ▪ Food Defense                          |  |
| ▪ Foodborne disease                     |  |

Pre-registration is required, to ensure adequate materials are available. If you or any of your staff are interested in attending, please complete the enclosed registration form and return to this office no later than November 25, 2009.

# ORIENTATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS

RICE AUDITORIUM – December 1, 2009 to December 3, 2009

## **TUESDAY December 1, 2009**

Moderators		Denise Wright/Sharon Farrell
<b>9:00 – 9:30</b>	<b>Registration Table Open</b>	
9:30	Welcome	Dr. James Howell
	Introduction of Attendees	Mike Mettler
10:00	Food Protection updates; local laws, Standards, 1309, SEA 190, ROP	Scott Gilliam
10:30	Break	
10:45	State Food Protection Inspection Program	George Jones
11:15	Standardization, Plan Review , Certification	Sharon Farrell
11:45 – 12:45	Lunch (On your own)	
12:45	Communicable Disease	Pam Pontones
1:15	Field Epidemiology	Tom Duszynski
1:45	Foodborne Disease	Amie ThurdeKoos
2:15	Break	
2:30	Complaints and Samples	Dan Gala
3:00	Overview – Laboratory Support	Tom Cronau
3:30	Chemistry/Water Samples	Bharat Patal
4:00	IN Department of Homeland Security	Joe Romero
4:30	Adjourn	

**WEDNESDAY****December 2, 2009**

Moderators

Denise Wright/Sharon Farrell

9:00 Lead &amp; Healthy Homes Program

David McCormick

9:30 Indoor Air Radon, &amp; Mold

Ron Clark

10:00 Onsite Sewerage Systems

Alan Dunn

10:30 Break

10:45 Fluoridation

Dan Cain

11:15 Swimming Pools, Campgrounds, and  
Mobile Home Parks

Mike Mettler

11:45-12:45 Lunch (On your own)

12:45 Weights and Measures

Larry Stump

1:15 LHD Perspective

John Bonsett

2:00 Rabies Control Program

Dr. Jennifer House

2:30 Class Photograph

2:45 Break

3:00 Vector Control

Dr. Mike Sinsko

4:00 SharePoint and Communication

Jessica Trimble/Laura Hormuth

4:30 Adjourn

**Thursday****December 3, 2009**

Moderators

Denise Wright/Dan Gala

9:00 Indiana Food Defense

Travis Goodman

9:30 Long Term Care

Kim Rhoades

10:00 Indiana Department of Environmental  
Management

Michael Aylesworth

10:30 Break

10:45 Acute Care

Mary Azbill

11:15 Egg Rules and Enforcement

Mark Straw

11:30 Q &amp;A/ Issue Certificates

**2009**  
***Environmental Health Specialist***  
***Orientation***

***December 1 to December 3, 2009***  
***Rice Auditorium, Indiana State Department of Health***

	<b>Orientation</b>		<b>Orientation</b>
<b>Dec. 1st</b>	9:00-9:30 Registration	<b>Dec. 2nd</b>	9:00-4:30 Program
	9:30-4:30 Program	<b>Dec. 3rd</b>	9:00-Noon Program

**Health Department:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: (please print)

POSITION:

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Dates attending: \_\_\_\_ Entire Program (required for certificate)  
                          \_\_\_\_ December 1  
                          \_\_\_\_ December 2  
                          \_\_\_\_ December 3

***Please return form to: Sharon Farrell, 2 North Meridian St.,***  
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***by November 25, 2009***